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The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor.

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Book of True Values

We understand there has been quite a bit of favorable comment on the new Priced Catalogue of British Colonial Stamps issued by the KenMore Stamp Company. It appears that collectors are glad to have a list which reflects the actual value or at least nearer to actual value of their stamps than does the Scott Catalogue. This KenMore List is a handsome 80 page book which prices British Colonials in mint condition at the exact price at which they are offered for sale by one of the largest dealers in British Colonial Stamps in the world. There is no thought in the mind of the prospective customer as to whether the stamps are available at 25% discount or 50% discount. The prices are net and show a heavy average below Scott Catalogue quotations, thus giving a true value on the stamps since this value is based on the stock and experience of one of the biggest buyers and sellers of British Colonial stamps. Certainly, anyone interested in knowing what his stamps are worth will appreciate this splendid catalogue.

Miniature Sheet Catalogue

The great interest in Miniature Sheets, also Souvenir sheets and souvenir issues has led a number of dealers to give special attention to the supplying of these attractive and interesting issues. One of the foremost in this field is F. R. Ferryman Stamps Inc., 87 Nassau Street, New York. This firm has just issued a catalogue of these issues which should be of considerable interest to the collector. It gives the name of country, the name or title that has been applied to the sheet, the Scott Number as well as a number of their own, the year of issue, the format of the sheet and the price in mint and used copy.

The catalogue is divided into different parts, listing those sheets prepared for Philatelic Exhibitions in one group, Souvenir sheets in another group, other Miniature sheets in another group. There is then a listing of what are termed "Favor Sheets," a list of Booklet panes of foreign countries and a list of postage stamps issued for Philatelic Exhibitions.

All in all, this is a very thorough list of these popular issues and should be of interest to the collector who has been following them. The price of the catalogue is 25 cents.

Inch Advertisements Produce

Further proof that even small advertisements produce business is evident in our mail every week. One of the latest to praise our publication for results obtained is Mr. L. W. Schriber of New York. This gentleman has been using space for several months past, almost wholly devoting his copy to single inch space and Mr. Schriber writing under date of Feb. 1, writes—"Business during the month of January has been the largest since I started advertising with you last September. I have had several repeat orders from customers, two of them giving me four orders each, another has given me three large orders and spends about $30 monthly on approvals sent him." There is the answer. We attribute one reason for such excellent results to the fact that Mr. Schriber is constantly offering much wanted and attractive U. S. Stamps. Another thing that helps his advertising is the excellent manner in which he prepares his copy and the fact that he devotes his entire space to offering stamps and putting prices on them rather than telling the collectors how good he is. This latter thing is something that a dealer can always demonstrate by service, and service will always speak louder than words. Mr. Schriber also recognizes the fact that the future business he has been getting from his patrons is to the credit of the publication that brought him the original business. That is a fact that too many dealers overlook. Good service and good offers will sell stamps as Mr. Schriber's inch advertisements prove.

The Gerber Auctions

That all the Auction Sales are not held in New York is well proven by the excellent catalogue of the 40th Auction Sale to be held by Mr. Lambert W. Gerber of Tamaqua, Pa. This sale is to be held on February 23, before the Hamilton Stamp Club in Philadelphia, Room 51, 1626 Arch Street, at 8:00 P. M.

A casual examination of the catalogue reveals that of the more than 800 lots in the sale, over 700 of them are devoted to United States Offerings and this covers an excellent range of material that will prove of interest to every type of collector. It would be impossible to pick out and mention the many attractive and choice pieces that are offered and we can best do that by referring you to the advertisement on the back page of this issue of Linn's Weekly which lists a few examples of the outstanding items in this sale. Even with these remarks, we can not refrain from making special mention of a block of four of the 90c 1869 which is described as super superb, full gum and never hinged. Truly such an item is an outstanding piece and will grace some noted collection in years to come. You still have time to get copies of the catalogue and collectors in and near Philadelphia will be welcome at the sale.

Needless to state, Mr. Gerber has been using space in Linn's for some months past and has repeatedly referred to the fact that excellent results have been obtained from his copy. We know that his long experience in the stamp trade has given him an enviable reputation for treating the customer right.

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Spanish Civil War Issues

By Bob Richardson

WHAT'S it all about? That's the question of most collectors (and non-collectors, too) as with bewilderment they regard the steady stream of provisionals from war-torn Spain. Many of the issues are curious in design, others are postal outbursts of enthusiasm as the result of victory for the rebels, but many more are of doubtful origin and status. Books have been written on this civil war, but this article will try to limit itself to the essentials of the conflict reflected in the stamp issues.

The two sides, commonly called Fascist (rebel) and Loyalist (republic) are composed of a number of different groups, most of them with radically different views on Spain and its government, but by the emergency of civil war these groups have lined up on that side which comes nearest to their ideals. The rebel adherents loudly proclaim theirs is a war against that popular bugaboo "The Red Menace," and claim the loyalists are communists. The loyalists in return just as loudly declare the rebels are Mussolini and Hitler thinly disguised and declare theirs is a fight against fascism. Both charges are about as accurate as it would be to state that our own Civil War of 1861-65 was fought solely on the question of abolition.

Spain was the last of the feudal European kingdoms, the republic founded by the bloodless revolution of April, 1931, representing long awaited development. Changing the form of government did not correct the economic ills of the country, all of which were traceable to the underlying question before the country, long delayed from settlement, the question of agrarian reform and its accomplishment. Briefly, most of the land was owned by a few wealthy landholders—this is an agricultural nation—the lands so owned being to a great extent unused and laying fallow for many years. On most of the land tilled the people were little better than serfs on these estates. The republic came into power pledged to break up the estates, not by confiscation but by purchase and lease. This was the underlying reason for the civil war, which was itself brought on when the total of the opposition was defeated decisively in the elections of February, 1936. Realizing they could not hope to win at the polls, the opposition began laying plans for taking over the government by force. It mustered an imposing array of wealth and experienced heads for such a scheme. They included all groups hostile to the republic; the landowners, the fascists, voluntary exiles, the royalists, the Carlists, and most important of all, the army. The Spanish Army had always been ridiculously large and even more ridiculously over-officered. When the republic came into power, the army had 26,000 officers, being about one officer to every six or ten enlisted men.

Scene of the siege of the rebels, Toledo

The republic cut this down to 9400 officers and 105,000 men which was still too many, but since the army's loyalty was so doubtful the government dared not go too far. A step toward assuring itself of a reliable force was taken when on pretext of dissolving the Civil Guard the government formed the Assault Guard. Time was too short and when the Civil War opened, these numbered 17,000, only about half the number of Civil Guards.

On July 17th, 1936, the revolution began with the seizure by the rebels of the ports of Ceuta and Melilla in Morocco, the seizure in the name of the rebels of the Canary Islands by General Franco who had treacherously been acting as military commander there, by General Queipo de Llano taking over Seville in southwestern Spain and the beginning of operations at Burgos and Saragossa in the north by Generals Mola and Cabanellas. In Madrid, the government won against tremendous odds, the rebels cowing the troops into their ranks and seizing almost everything military. Desperately, the government took two field pieces found in a repair shop and these, with one heavy gun and 5,000 old rifles, constituted all it could muster. The hastily-formed and untrained force made such a forceful attack that the common soldiers in the rebel ranks mutinied and with this aid the government soon had Madrid under control. In Barcelona, industrial seaport, when the commander marched 5,000 soldiers into the heart of the city, the republican leaders distributed arms of all descriptions to the people and in one day the rebels were forced to surrender. Better than half the navy remained loyal, these proceeding to block the transport of troops from Morocco to the mainland, forcing Franco to send his first contingents of Moors and Legionaires to Spain by air. Though the rebels had counted on almost all of the armed forces, actually the approximately 235,000 men under arms divided fairly evenly as follows: 38,000 regulars, Moors and Foreign Legionaires in Morocco to the rebels; about three-quarters of the 117,000 regulars on the mainland to the rebels and the same proportion of the Assault Guards to the government; the 32,000 Civil Guards (govt. police) and 16,000 Carabineros (frontier and customs force) dividing generally according to which side's territory they happened to be in. Franco's use of the Moors and the Legion cost him much support, for Spaniards and Moors were enemies of centuries' warfare and the Legionaires were composed of the scum and riff-raff of Europe. But they were the only reliable force he had to start with. The landing of these mercenaries at Algeciras is shown on the new Moroccan set just issued.

Franco had planned on a quick campaign of annihilation to conquer Spain in a couple weeks. Guerrilla warfare kept his forces impotent in many towns, and the surprising defense of Madrid —thought to be impossible even by a trained force—forced him to the slow, exhausting process of overcoming each defense point by costly struggle in men and materials. The government, its coast blockaded by piratical foreign warships and aid cut off by the non-intervention committee, has for some months barely managed to hold its own. The odds now seem in favor of the rebels, but victory for the rebels, if ever, is a long way off. The stamp issues of Spain of the last two years may well prove forerunners of the postal flood of a second World War.

The rebels have been the source of most of the new issues from Spain since the war started. The government's stamps did not have to be changed, it still controlled the capital and therefore there was little interference with a continuous supply. The rebels, however,

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had to create their own stamps, their sole supplies at first being government stamps captured in seized towns and during the first year many places used these with no distinctive overprint. The very few government provisionals were made necessary by some loyalist cities being cut off from the capital, but these issues were surprisingly few. Morocco was the one area where the rebels did not have to supply new stamps, since they controlled all the territory and it was well supplied with the distinctive stamps issued there for years.

The first distinctive rebel issue seems to have been the handstamped overprint "Sevilla-Viva Espana-Julio 1936" on the current 1c to 10 peseta stamps. Later, an identical overprint was typographed on values up to the 60c but

The Carlists, supporters of Franco, issued stamps from 1873 to 1875

apparently no more high values were available. Next appeared the lower values overprinted in two lines of small Roman caps, "Viva Espana," issued in the northwestern province of Orense and some other nearby points. In August, Cadiz issued a set with a very complicated surtax overprint having in the center the municipality's coat of arms. From Burgos, the rebel capital, in north-central Spain, came a set of revenue stamps overprinted for airmail as well as ordinary mail, the overprint reading, "Viva Espana-Correos-Orden-9 Nvbre. 1936." These were also issued at Salamanca. As soon as possible, a distinctive set was printed at Burgos and is now accepted as the first regular issue of the rebels. These appeared in the summer of 1936, the first ones being inscribed "Junta de Defensa Nacional," in addition to "Espana," but later ones omitted the title of the rebel command, perhaps because even the rebels perceived the grim humor in calling their bombarding most of Spain the acts of a national defense junta. The stamps

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Meanwhile, the rebels were battering government strongholds on various fronts and in February appeared the first of the issues with commemorative overprints for a victory. On February 8th, 1937, the port of Malaga fell before the attacks of the Italian troops and for this the victors proceeded to surcharge the government stamps with no less than three varieties in each sheet of 50. The first two rows of the setting honor two Italians, reading, "The thanks of Malaga to Tranquillo-Bianchi"; the next row reads, "Malaga to its Saviour Queipo de Llano"—the rebel commander; the last two rows having an overprint, "Malaga to its Leader, Franco." All these, in addition to another set, omitting the laudatory remarks (which amounted to the rebels patting themselves on the back). Similar sets have since appeared commemorating the fall of the Basque port of Bilbao, Santander, Cadiz, Badajoz and possibly others. A miniature sheet was issued picturing the Alcazar of Toledo, the medieval fortress which, though besieged and dynamited by the loyalists, managed to hold out until relieved by the rebels after weeks of fighting. Other surcharges were issued in profusion to commemorate the first anniversary of the revolution and some were prematurely inscribed, "One Year of Triumph."

One new stamp-issuing country, or more correctly, a colony, has resulted from the fracas. In November, 1936, the Canary Islands issued stamps for use in connection with inauguration of air service to Frankfort, Germany, and have been turning them out ever since. Some are real rarities and none (except some errors) have been impeached yet. It should be noted that although Spain had issued many stamps for its trivial colonial possessions in Africa, the Canaries had been overlooked entirely until the rebels decided to make up for past omissions (with plenty of Emissions).

An American stamp dealer, Arthur Barger of New York, is currently in Spain with the purpose of re-organizing the loyalist postal service and particularly supervise stamp issues. With such philatelic advice at its command, the number of loyalist issues can be expected to increase.

It will be years before the status of many of these issues will be known, it seeming likely that because of the great loss of life attending some of the captures, many stamps will remain mysteries. For the time being, the average collector will have to be his own censor. Some rarities have been deliberately made, while others necessarily were rarities. The hatred and strife the war has engendered accounts for many seemingly unnecessary issues and will account for many more. At present, both sides are deadlocked, neither having a decided advantage to bring to an end the bitterest civil war in European history. Collectors should not be discouraged by present lack of data on many of these issues when it is recalled that we are still searching for data on some of the stamps of our own Civil War of long ago.

Isle of Man Wants Stamps

"Mr. Alcock is not satisfied with the refusal of the British government to sanction an issue of Manx postage stamps, and he has given notice that he will move a resolution on this matter at the next sitting of the House of Keys."—so reads a clipping from the Isle of Man Times. This little island off the British coast is almost as troublesome as Ireland when it comes to independence in various things, no doubt being jealous of all the other and smaller British islands that have sets of stamps of their own.

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BY DON SENOR PABLO M. ESPERIDION
MANILA, P. I.

If present plans of postal authorities do not miscarry, a change in design and color of the Philippine current issues, will materialize sooner or later.

According to reliable sources, the matter is now under consideration by the Secretary of Communications and Public Works, M. Cuenco. As a matter of fact, sometime last year, some old collectors were approached by the postal officials for some striking colors on "future" stamps.

Philippine commemoratives are selling very fast here. Reports from the Philatelic Section, Bureau of Posts, Manila, reveal that 2c and 12c of the Commonwealth Anniversary and 2c of the Eucharistic Congress stamps were sold out.

With the exception of the 6, 16 and 36c Inauguration of the Commonwealth which remain still in stock (in straight-edges), the rest of this series was also sold out.

At this writing (Dec. 19) current issues of the 2, 6, 10, 30c and 1-peso (Scott 383, 385, 387, 391 and 393) are no longer available and stocks of same will not be replenished.

Issues with "Commonwealth" overprints, 4, 20 and 26c (Scott 384, 390 and 391) were exhausted, but stocks "may be" replenished according to the Bureau of Posts. The contemplated change in the current issue has something to do with this uncertainty.

Much apprehension is reigning at present in local philatelic circles, on the critical condition of Senor Juan Mencarini, oldest P. I. collector (age 90 more or less).

Senor Mencarini had been working on an extensive catalog of Philippine stamps, for the past two years or so. Since this is the second time Senor Mencarini will publish a catalog of Philippine stamps, which will incidentally include all issues under the American regime, Philippine Philately would be in deep mourning should the Grim Reaper rob the Philippines of one of its ardent students of stamps of the Islands.

The cities of Manila, Cebu and Baguio are showing signs of improvement on their postal markings. Also the towns of Legazpi and Gingoog. This improvement is rejoiced in by local collectors, and looks like philatelic sympathy is gradually becoming a virtue in the post offices in these Islands.

Demand for P. I. stamps issued under the American dominion is getting heavier here day by day.

Talk of statehood (inclusion of the P. I. in the Union) flared only for a moment in local political circles. In the event the Philippines should revert to statehood or dominion status, in all likelihood stamps issued during the Philippine Commonwealth will present interesting items to all lovers of Philippine stamps.

Meanwhile, everything is quiet on the philatelic front, as the politicians are getting the jitters on the results of this year's elections.

Apropos the Possession Issue of the U. S. A., the concensus of opinion here is that Uncle Sam forgot to give an "ice-cream soda" to the P. I. and that he gave only "castor oil" to Guam.

Note: Guam was not included in the possession series since it has not gone after the tourist trade and to all intents and purposes is only a naval base. Apparently U. S. postal officials thought that it would be more tactful not to issue a stamp claiming the Philippine Islands as a "territory" so soon after making them a fairly independent governing unit.—Ed.

Detroit Annual Party

Saturday and Sunday, March 19-20, The Michigan Stamp Club will hold its 24th annual banquet, bourse and exhibition at the Statler Hotel, Detroit. Bourse will be limited in size, tables costing $5. Reservations to Ben Nevison, Birmingham, Mich. The notice of this event says "Firemen?—Yes—And How —3 Alarms."

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used to make a "stamp picture." This copy was reported worth $8,000 and cost the purchaser just 1¼ florins, about 65 cents! The stamp has already been sent to London for entry in an auction sale and will undoubtedly cause much interest, these being among the most popular of the early rarities.

Stamp Stock Stolen

On January 26th, thieves stole part of the stock of B. A. Turner, San Antonio, Texas, dealer. Included was a stock book of British America, cataloging approximately $2,000, a stock book of "S" countries and a folder of new issues and miniature sheets. Any one being offered such a lot is urged to wire collect the San Antonio police or Mr. Turner.

To get rid of accumulating mail the Post Office Department authorized the postmaster at Anchorage, Alaska, to pay a local air service line not more than $175 to fly not over 1,000 pounds of mail to Dillingham, Alaska, and way points, one one-way trip only.

On Nov. 3, the Philippine Air Mail Society was formed and on Nov. 29 it applied for chaptership in the American Air Mail Society. Pablo M. Esperidion, our Philippine Correspondent, was elected Secretary.

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Examination of registered letter receipts held by the Stamp Distributor shows some of them to bear that date. The date the letters were posted was June 2. Therefore, it is evident that when changing the dates in several postmarking stamps used in the local Post Office one was inadvertently changed to "2 AP" instead of "2 JU".

However, it is desired to point out that the Coronation stamps were not in the possession of this administration on April 2.

The Stamp Printer, Melbourne, posted them in Melbourne on March 24, 1937, the packages reached Port Moresby by steamer which arrived on April 15 and were not opened until April 17."

E. C. HARRIS, Chief Postmaster.

Secretary of War Harry H. Woodring gave President Roosevelt a complete collection of the Coronation stamps of the British Empire as a Christmas present. —James Waldo Fawcett, Wash. Star.

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One plate block collectors writes to us of a postmaster who is doing just that with a frill or two of his own invention. This P. M. dragged out some 30 blocks of recent commemoratives somewhat the worse for being tumbled about in the stamp drawer, most of them being excellent examples of the worst centering of our stamps. Three or four were rather well centered but when the collector attempted to purchase those was told by this P. M. that he would "buy all the blocks or else." Nothing like a little high pressure to boost the sales at a third-class office. Our friend stated he was definitely in the "or else" frame of mind and back in the drawer went that lot of blocks to await another and more desperate plate block collector. Evidently that P. M. had heard of the old trick of picture salesmen—sell a nice picture but make the customer take an expensive and undesirable frame too, or else no picture.

—R. R.

A Correction

At this late date we are advised that the article entitled "Were Jamaican Stamps Overprinted For Use in the Cayman Islands?" in our October 23rd issue was actually written by Mr. A. J. Watkin, London, England. Our Jamaican correspondent who sent the article in was in error given as the author. Collectors who have data on this little known use of Jamaican stamps should write Mr. Watkin at 20 Heathgate, London, W. 11.

Not What It Sounds Like

G. A. Martin says he would like to settle the controversy over the meaning of the name of the Norwegian town "Hell" once and for all. Mr. Martin says it doesn't mean anything and is just a name, the Norwegian spelling of the title of the fiery hereafter being quite different.

Any stamp collector inflicted with the nick-name "Butch" had better get his covers off in a hurry, for the post office of Butch, N. C., in the Great Smokies, is to close the last of February.

At last we know the reason for those French Paris Exhibition miniature sheets. The show went in the red 480,000,000 francs and two weeks after this report was read the French Senate almost unanimously rejected a proposal to continue the affair. The stamps must be an attempt to reduce the deficit.

Those of us who have never seen a tuna fish except in a salad, can get a good idea of the fish's sea-going appearance from the new 2c National Fair triangle stamp of Costa Rica.

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New Stamps Requested

This heading might be kept standing all the time, as hardly a week passes that someone doesn't request a stamp for something or somebody. The Postmaster of Claremore, Okla., is whooping things up for a Will Rogers stamp and it is regrettable Will isn't here to comment on that. Then, the Rapid City, S. Dakota, enthusiasts of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial want a stamp to publicize that whittling of a mountain into likeness of famous Americans. Then, the Polish associations, perennial seekers of stamps with portraits of Poles who took part in historic events, have dug up the fact a Pole, one Wladzimierz Krzyzanawski, was first governor of Alaska and a "Civil War hero." He may have been a hero, but by some peculiarity his name has never been seen by your editor in any history, encyclopedia or on any monument and we've looked at a lot of them. Perhaps it's because of the spelling, which alone makes it extremely unlikely General K. will be on our stamps.

Visiting Firemen Prepare

Hydrant Tender Don Martin of The Visiting Firemen of Philately has issued a call for all companies to attend the Conflagration at the Canton stamp party, Feb. 12-13. This will be sort of a preliminary to the Annual Conflagration at Beaver Falls in April. Helmets and nickel-plated badges are accordingly being polished in many a stamp den these nights that the non-fire-tenders may be sufficiently dazzled by such splendor.

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Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, commenced holding its meetings on February 4th in Parlor A, Hotel Hollenden, Sixth and Superior Streets, Cleveland. The annual party will be held at the Hollenden on March 18-19-20.

First Intercollegiate Stamp Show Postponed

Filatelikus, stamp club at Columbia University, New York City, has announced the postponement of the First Intercollegiate Philatelic Exhibition from Feb. 23-26th to March 16th-19th. Postponement was necessary to have sufficient time to get the exhibits together, closing date for entries being March 9th. The Nicholas Murray Butler trophy will be awarded to the winning college. Any college or university or undergraduate in the United States and Canada being eligible to enter exhibits. On Friday evening, March 18th, a dinner and forum will be held, total cost $1.20. Frank S. Mackay, Box E, John Jay Hall, Columbia University, New York City, will answer any inquiries on the affair.

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621—"	10	10.00	711—"	100	11.00	1311—"	100	8.00
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628—"	10	3.00	713—"	100	10.00	1317—"	10	21.00
629—"	10	1.00	714—"	100	11.00	1400—"	10	2.00
643—"	25	2.25	715—"	10	1.70	496—"	100	6.50
644—"	10	2.00	716—"	100	3.00	598—"	100	2.00
645—"	25	1.50	717—"	100	3.00	752—"	100	4.00
646—"	25	1.60	718—"	100	6.00	754—"	20	1.40
647—"	10	1.80	719—"	100	7.00	755—"	20	1.40
648—"	10	4.00	724—"	100	4.00	756—"	100	2.50
649—"	25	1.50	725—"	100	5.00	757—"	100	4.25
650—"	10	2.00	726—"	100	4.00	758—"	100	6.00
651—"	50	3.00	727—"	100	4.00	759—"	100	8.00
654—"	50	3.00	728—"	100	1.40	760—"	50	5.00
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657—"	50	1.90	733—"	100	6.80	763—"	50	8.00
680—"	50	3.25	734—"	100	6.00	764—"	50	9.00
681—"	50	2.00	736—"	100	4.50	765—"	50	9.00
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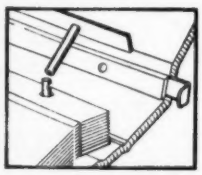

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UNITED STATES—Territorial Commemorative Issue. Puerto Rico. Rotary Press Printing, unwmkd., perf. 11x10½:
#801—A166—3c red violet (Fortaleza Castle)
Same issue as above, but for Virgin Islands:
#802—A167—3c light violet (Charlotte Amalie)
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

ANDORRA—French Administration. Type of 1932, unwmkd., perf. 13:
A51—25c. brown-lake (St. Anthony's bridge)
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

Spanish Administration. Another value to go with those noted January 8th. Without control numbers on the back. Unwmkd., perf. 11½x11:
A1—30c. scarlet
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

BELGIUM—Add the following to your 1938 catalog:
#273a. Tete beche pair
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

BRITISH HONDURAS — King George VI Issue. New pictorial designs, with medallion head of the King. Lower value is upright and other two are horizontal. Size of stamp 25x 33 mm. Perf. 11½, script wmkd., sheets of 50 (10x5 upright—5x10 transverse). Line engraved.
3c. sepia & purple (Cohune Palm)
4c. green & black (Scrolls of Industry)
5c. slate-blue & purple (Grape Fruit)
(R. Roberts)

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC — Provisionals. Stamps of 1926-37, surcharged in black in two lines, with new figure of value and word "centavo." Perf. 12½ and first two are on unwmkd paper, while the other two are on paper wmkd wavy lines:
A161—1c. on 3c. light green
a. inverted surcharge
A120—5c. on 8c. dark blue
A160—2c. on 12c. deep blue
A134—5c. on 8c. blue-black
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

DUTCH INDIES—Provisionals. Stamps of 1912-22 surcharged with new values in black or red as noted. Unwmkd., perf. 12½:
A12—10c. on 30c. slate (red)
" —10c. on 32½c. violet & red (black)
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

FRANCE — New Color. Type of 1906-07, unwmkd., perf. 14x13½:
A22—30c. copper red
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

GREECE—Royal Wedding Commemoratives. Dual portraits, engraved, perf. 14x12, wmkd. crowns (diagonally). Sheets of 50 (5x10). Size of stamp 36½x21mm:
3dr. orange brown
(R. Roberts)

Whitfield, King & Co. advise that there is also a 1dr. and 8dr. in this set, but as the one value above was all that could be produced by the wedding date, the other two values will follow later. The stamps will remain on sale for about forty days after which any stock remaining will be destroyed.

INDIA—King George VI Issue. Additional values to go with those chronicled previously:
3p. slate
½a. reddish brown
(R. Roberts)

The above two complete the series, with the exception of the 15R. and 25R. values which Whitfield, King & Co., advise have been printed and are on sale at all the more important Post Offices. They also call attention to the fact that this issue is the first in which the Indian Postal Administration has issued pictorial stamps as a permanent series—the rupee values being pictorial in this set.

JAPAN—Another value on white paper.
A36—1y. yellow-green & maroon
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

MEXICO—Types of 1935. First stamp below is on paper wmkd. lines and "Secretaria de Hacienda Mexico." The second is on paper wmkd. "Correos Mexico":
A120—10c. violet
a. unwmkd.
A121—10c. dark blue
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

MONACO—New design. Unwmkd., perf. 14x13. Recess printed, upright format:
A27— 5c. red
A27—10c. ultramarine
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

Pictorial design. Horizontal format 40x20½ mm., unwmkd., perf. 13. Sheets of 25 (5x5):
1.75fr. claret
(R. Roberts)

PANAMA—Error. Special Delivery Stamp. Add to your 1938 catalog:
#1552 a. "Exrpeso"
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

RUSSIA—Air Post Stamps. Large horizontal rectangular format, showing various aeroplanes. All stamps 49½x29½mm., except the two highest values which are 61x29½mm. Photogravure printing, perf. 12, unwmkd.:
10k. brown & black
20k. olive-green & black
30k. red-brown & sepia
40k. sepia & black
50k. gray & black
80k. deep blue & sepia
1R. sepia & brown
(L. A. Russell)

Scott's latest Monthly Journal tentatively lists the miniature sheet of four of the undernoted, which was issued imperf., fully gummed on a sheet size 165x89 mm. This was issued in commemoration of the achievements of the Soviet Union in Aviation during the year 1937.
Sheet of four, unwmkd., imperf.:
1r. black, brown & buff (Transport Plane over Leningrad)

VENEZUELA—Scott's latest Monthly Journal, tentatively lists the Child Welfare stamp which we chronicled in our notes of January 1st.

Argentine Ends the Use of Official Department Stamps

On December 22nd, the Ministry of the Interior of Argentina issued a decree modifying that of May 13, 1913, which had brought into use the large number of stamps surcharged with the initials of the eight Argentine government departments. Under the new decree, one issue of stamps surcharged "Servicio Official" will replace the eight sets used in the past, and incidentally bring to a close one group of current foreign stamps which are very unpopular. The decree is as follows (translated):—

"The Executive Power by a Decree originating in the Ministry of the Interior, has ordered as requested by the Direction General of Posts and Telegraphs a modification in the system of designating the postage stamps set apart for franking the official correspondence.

With that end in view the article I of the Decree of the date of May 13th of the year 1913 has been changed in the following manner:—

The Ministries (Departments) to fill the requisitions of their dependencies, excluding the autonomous ones, shall be supplied by the Direction General of Posts and Telegraphs, in the manner ordered by the existing by-laws, with postage stamps that are earmarked or distinguished with the overprint "Servicio Official," which shall be printed upon the different values of the current issue which each dependency shall determine, being limited to those values which are found to be really necessary or required."

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K. H. Sakaue of Berkeley, Calif., sends me an ODDITIY IN THE NEWS. A Seattle B-52 on a Kansas overprint. The stamp no doubt is a fake, the OVERPRINT being the part that was faked as it is indistinct and does not have the length of the original overprints. It would be practically impossible for such an item to really occur at the bureau. Such an item seldom fools an experienced collector but many times a novice will grab off such items thinking he has made a strike, and when he finds out the truth, precancelania has lost another follower. It is astounding what some people can do with a handpress and a pocket full of type.

CENTERING

In the bureau print field centering is a paramount issue, there being those who collect or keep nothing but superb copies. This sort of collecting has driven prices on this type of material to levels two and three times the catalog value. Those who are willing to pay such prices for this class of material will find most of their wants available, but those who want this class of material at substantial discounts from catalog quotations face a long and rocky trail. This is all beside the point, through. After handling a few thousand buro prints one will soon be impressed by the very low proportion of superb copies that exist. Also in scanning a sheet of buros this point will also manifest itself, that where there exist items with abnormal margins in a sheet there must be items, and usually a larger number, that are very close or actually dt. or dc. as the auction lists call them. In a well centered sheet where every stamp is centered, you will not find any stamps with the extra big margins, all will have small but generally even margins. The above facts and the fact that so many collectors are demanding superb material give the dealers their out for hoisting prices, and sometimes you can't blame them.

SUGGESTION NO. 1

I mentioned just recently that the trend of collecting bureau prints had turned considerably towards saving only the B-11 and B-13 types. This situation being caused by the extremely high prices of most of the old type buros. After pondering over this situation considerably this rather bright idea struck me, (I stood up under it well), that a skeleton or type collection of the old type bureaus would be the thing for those who are concentrating on the small types, to do. This would give them a representative collection of many of the old types and would not be so costly. Take Columbus, Ohio, as an example. In the perf. 10 x 10s any item would do, the 1½c being the cheapest at 8c, in the compound perf. the lowest priced item is the 1c or 1½c both at 15c, and in the coils the 1c or1½c are also priced at 15c each. So the three stamps would net 38c a figure that should not stagger any one, and you would have a complete type collection of the old type Columbus Bureau Prints. Cleveland could be filled in the same manner for about 9c and Cincinnati for about 12c. I think it is an idea.

CHARLES TOWN, W. VA.

While idly fingering over the leaves of the general catalog I noticed that besides the well known CHARLESTON, W. Va., there is also a CHARLES TOWN. Not many items are listed from the place so the town cannot be so large nor have a great amount of industries. West Virginia collectors are invited to tell us more about this place.

NOTES

From now on until MAY the auction lists will be in full bloom. Many fine stamps are offered in these sales and at fairly reasonable prices, but I believe the day of BIG bargains are over in the precancel field, not because of any action on the part of the auction dealers but because there are more and more collectors turning to precancels and searching for the better items.—Kalamazoo, Mich., is using a U-17 now, saw it on the 1c current. An East Flat Rock, N. C., on a 3c Stuart in a type resembling U-121.—Phil Dodger and the Boston Bull weighted down the mail box this week. Addresses of either will be furnished to interested parties.

THE MEET

The Columbus Philatelic Club will hold its annual meet and exhibition as you have probably noted elsewhere in the paper. At these meets and exhibitions you will find a goodly proportion of precancel dealers and collectors and I wish that every OHIO precancel collector would try to get to the meet one of the days. March 5th and 6th are the dates, mark it on your calendar and make your plans accordingly.

Clipper Mail Speed Shown

Wallace Carruthers, Jr., one of our readers, supplied the Tampa (Fla.) Postmaster with a lobby exhibit which was written up in Tampa papers. The exhibit consisted of just two covers, each having been mailed at 2:30 P. M. on Oct. 10th at Honolulu. One came via clipper to the mainland and was received at Tampa Oct. 13 at 10:30 P. M.; the other coming by ordinary mail was received on Oct. 22 at 8:30 A. M. Certaily a startling exhibit of the speed of the clipper service. The clipper cover averaged 77.3 miles per hour on its trip of 5659 miles!

Argentine Restricts Stamp Imports

The Minister of Finance of Argentina under a decree of December 4th agreed to permit the entry of stamps into the country free of duty if the stamps were consigned to recognized philatelic societies and further if the stamps were for exchange purposes only. Duty will be charged on stamps for "commercial purposes," i. e. stamp dealing.

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BY BISTANDER

It seems that Miniature Sheets are now being issued in wholesale quantities. Nicaragua has just issued sixteen different sheets commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of its Post Office. Not long ago, it used to be quite an event for the issuance of a Miniature Sheet but the year 1937 saw this event turned into a farce and continuing into 1938. It is impossible to look at any of the advance notices from the stamp issuing countries without being disgusted at the large number of forthcoming issues of Miniature Sheets. I guess we should be thankful that "Jim" Farley has issued only seven sheets since he became Postmaster General.

Paul Bluss, a New York auctioneer, celebrated his one hundredth direct auction sale, on January 29th. Business has continued to be good with Paul, he having held fifty-one auction sales during 1937. His auction rooms always contain a capacity crowd. At the end of the sale he received the congratulations of his many friends and colleagues. Paul then served refreshments and a good time was had by all. Good luck for the future, Paul.

New York stamp brokers are very careful from whom they buy stamps these days. The recent robberies of two post offices in the metropolitan area is the reason for this. Over forty thousand dollars in stamps were stolen. Government agents are checking up on every reported offering of stamps at a discount. Reputable business houses are only taking stamps from brokers whom they can trust. For this reason, the brokers must be very careful from whom they buy stamps these days.

Wholesale dealers of U. S. used stamps have reported an increase in business for the past few weeks. New issues continue to lead in popularity among collectors but continue to be a pain in the neck to the dealers because of insufficient supplies.

No. 116 Nassau Street still leads all buildings in the housing of stamp dealers. There are twenty-two dealers who have offices in that building; 87 Nassau Street is runner-up with sixteen dealers.

This week I had the pleasure of looking at a plate number collection that is 94% complete. The collection contains only stamps printed by the Bureau of Engraving. The owner of this collection spent twelve years assembling it. There are only two plate numbers missing. After I finished my examination of his collection, I brought out my U. S. collection and while examining it this gentleman observed my copy of the two cent Shield stamp which had a number attached to it. Sure enough, that was a missing number of his collection. Well, you can imagine how I felt when he told me that that stamp was one of the two missing numbers. I felt very happy to be able to help complete that collection and I contributed the stamp. (P. S. He paid me for the stamp.)

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The Cincinnati Enquirer inaugurated its Sunday stamp column on January 30th. Edward S. Horwitz, President of the A. A. M. S. Cincinnati Chapter, is the new columnist, and will be familiar to many collectors through his activities in airmails. Each column will be an illustrated one of about one thousand words.

Naval Cancels — Cachets

By FREDERICK W. HORTON
ANCS 656
P.O. Box 390, Port Chester, N. Y.

I have at hand a notice from the ANCS president, Alex Hesse, Jr., of Brooklyn, N. Y., to the effect that the ANCS private magazine is now ready and anyone who hasn't sent his No. 10 envelope to P. J. Ickeringill should do so at once, and any non-member who would like a copy to look over can send in a No. 10 envelope. Ickeringill tells me that so far not many sets of envelopes from members of the ANCS have been received, so please send your envelopes right away. Address Ickeringill at 435 Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y.

A group of 3 cachets will be sponsored by Walter J. Dybas, 253 Guilford Street, Buffalo, N. Y., for the following events: Mar. 4, U. S. Constitution went into effect, from 1 ship and Philadelphia, Pa.; Mar. 5, Boston Massacre from 1 ship, and Boston, Mass.; Mar. 17, St. Patrick's Day from 5 naval ships; Mar. 29, Birth of John Tyler from 3 naval ships; Mar. 30, Alaska Purchased from Russia, mailed from 1 ship. All cachets will be bi-colored. Include forwarding postage. Dybas will hold covers for future events.

E. M. Brazelton, ANCS 477, 3311 Indiana Ave., Sioux City, Iowa, will sponsor a hand drawn cachet for the birthday anniversary of the "Whippoorwill." One cover to the collector. Forwarding postage in stamps, not cash, please. Deadline on the event is March 1st. Only standard 6¾ covers cacheted.

T. G. Nicholson, P. O. Box 32, Portsmouth, Va., will sponsor the following cachets: USS Rowan, First Day Commission & First Day Postal Service, 2 covers; USS Stack, First Day Commission & First Day Postal Service, 2 covers; USS Raleigh welcome home cachet, 5 covers, 5 different cancels from the Raleigh, one on each cover; include forwarding postage.

The Submarine USS Salmon is due to be commissioned about Feb. 19th, and Alex Hesse, Jr., 449 Troutman Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., will sponsor a ANCS Argonaut cachet for the event. Send covers NOW to Hesse, include forwarding.

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Lot No.				Cat. Price
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12	1847	5c	red brown with Double Transfer var.	50.00
20	1851	1c	green type I; used pair	150.00
21a	1851	12c	black; v. f. o. g. pair	275.00
26	1857	5c	red brown on cover to Hong Kong	75.00
38	1861	1c	near indigo; v. f. o. g. block	250.00
52	1861	5c	buff; unused	200.00
62	1867	3c	grilled; plate block 12, o. g.	150.00
82	1869	3c	Loco. bisect on piece or original Tax Notice, Fully guaranteed	800.00
83	1869	3c	Loco; similar to above	800.00
94a	**1869**	**90c**	**Lincoln; super-superb mint NH block**	**2000.00**
118	1873	24c	deep purple; unpriced rarity	.....
341	1908	1c	bluish; fine rare 3mm block, o. g.	400.00
462	1918	3c	offset; v. f. block 35 Double Prints	100.00
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20th Century — Nearly all commemoratives in blocks, strong in superb 1909 imperforates and Pan Pacifics. In regular issues, a grand lot of blocks from 1902 through the Farley Special Prints. Too many individual semi-rarities to detail herein but practically complete coverage in all issues, including imperforates, coils, rare position pieces, etc.

Airmails — A grand specialized lot of U. S. airmails, including Arrows, Plates, Centerlines, Zepps, blocks, etc. Foreign is composed completely of selected sets and a few covers. There are also many specialty items among the Departments, Dues, and Parcel Post including several blocks and errors.

Foreign — As usual, just a few selected lots but strong in Cape triangles and other British Colonials. A specialized group of Netherlands shades and various collections of Coronations, etc.

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